Second language.

112. **Mr. A. N. Satyanesan**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware of the fact that the number of pupils preferring to learn Hindi, French etc., as second language is increasing annually; and

(*b*) whether they have enquired into the cause thereof?

Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi: (*a*) Yes, so far as Hindi as second language is concerned.

(*b*) Yes.

Mr. A. N. Satyanesan: ഹിന്ദി ഐശ്ചികമായി എടുത്തിട്ടുള്ള വിദ്യാർത്ഥികളുടെ സംഖ്യ വർദ്ധിക്കാനും മലയാളം എടുത്തിട്ടുള്ള വിദ്യാർത്ഥികളുടെ സംഖ്യ കുറവായിരിക്കാനും ഉള്ള കാരണം എന്താണെന്നു ഡയറക്ടർ അന്വേഷിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi: ഹിന്ദിയുടെ പുരുമകൊണ്ടായിരിക്കാം?

Students in the 3rd and 6th Forms.

113. ***Mr. M. K. Velu Pilli**: (*Quilon cum Kunnathur*): Will the Government be pleased to state the total number of students in the 3rd and 6th Forms respectively in the English Schools in the State?

Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi: Total number of students in Form III as on 1-1-1120 — 14,765.

Do. Do. VI — 7,400.

Officers in the office of the Director of Public Instruction.

114. ***Mr. Paul A. Thaliath**: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement by caste, of all the officers in the office of the Director of Public Instruction?

Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi: The labour and trouble involved in collecting the information are out of proportion to its possible utility.

Government Primary School at Angamaly or Kothakulangara.

115. ***Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have closed a Government Primary School at Angamaly or Kothakulangara for the year 1945—46;

(*b*) if so, the name of that school, the reasons for closing the school, the strength of the school at the time of closing; and

(*c*) whether the teachers of that school are employed any where else or are they drawing their salary without doing any work?

Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi: (*a*) No.

& (*c*) These do not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

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